## NONPROVISIONAL PATENT & APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL RULE §1.53(b) IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title):

GAMING MACHINE WITH GAME MEDIUM STRADDLING DEVICE

By (Inventors):

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28 pages of Specification / Claims 1 - 15 / Abstract are attached.

Drawings (Figs. 1 - 7; 7 sheets) are attached.

A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.

An assignment of the invention to ARUZE CORP. is attached, along with Form PTO-1595.

An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and Reference.

A Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 is attached.

A Preliminary Amendment is attached.

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence -- This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed

Priority of Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-316732; filed October 30, 2002, is claimed XX under 35 U.S.C. §119.

A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

FOR:	NO. FILED	NO	. EXTRA	
BASIC FEE				
TOTAL CLAIMS	15 - 20	=	0	
INDEP CLAIMS	2 - 3	=	0	
☐ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS				

SMALL ENTITY				
RATE	FEE	<u>OR</u>		
	\$ 385	<u>OR</u>		
x 9 =	\$	<u>OR</u>		
x 43 =	\$	<u>OR</u>		
+145 =	\$	<u>OR</u>		
TOTAL	\$	<u>OR</u>		

LARGE ENTITY					
RATE	FEE				
	\$	770			
x 18	\$	0			
x 86	\$	0			
+290	\$	0			
TOTAL	\$	770			

\_ in the amount of \$ 810.00 is attached to cover the filing fee and Check # <u>368</u>230 assignment recordation fee. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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